









# Marshal Foch

great foreign trade facilities...  
"The latter alternative might...  
the long run have the result of...  
economic aggrandizement upon...  
people who, we have seen, are...  
safely interested with great power...  
in the world. It occurs to me that...  
German internal bonded war...  
and the funds for the...  
restoration, etc., might possibly...  
be considered.

"As to guarantee, the condition...  
relative impotence to which...  
many has been reduced by the...  
of the armistice is of course...  
first of our real guarantee...  
maintenance of that condition...  
is a long period in the first of...  
guarantees against the...  
of any similar German...  
considered.

TO DIVIDE COLONIES  
"As a part of this...  
her colonies should not be...  
Germany, but should...  
be also jointly held up by...  
their respective authority...  
proportioned to their...  
factors in victory."

"The setting up of new...  
as a cord to cut off the...  
the future of the...  
Eastern dream of founding...  
world domination is, in...  
the broad conception of...  
antagonies for the future."

Senator Pittman, Democrat...  
Senator by his speech and...  
in confusion in the...  
of the country and...  
the world the cause that...  
war and the aspiration of...  
making peace."

Senator Pittman denied that...  
sentiments expressed by...  
Knox represented the...  
the majority of the...  
Foreign Relations Committee...  
members.

Dismissing the Knox...  
as "destructive," Mr. Pittman...  
that the question of...  
be settled now, to...  
peace while nations feel the...  
of war.

## AMERICAN LEGATION IN RUMANIA

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American Legation at Bucharest...  
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robbed when American...  
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## What Shirt Shall I Wear Today?

How often a man asks...  
that of himself! He...  
certainly likes to have a...  
number of shirts in his...  
bureau or chiffonier draw...  
ers. Why not add a few...  
new ones for him as a...  
Christmas gift?

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them will be sure to...  
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# WILSON COMING, LONDON SAYS.

Contemplated Visit is Officially Announced; Expected Within Fortnight.

BY ATLANTIC CABLE AND A. P. LONDON, Dec. 18.—The Press Association issues an official statement that President Wilson is coming to London earlier than expected. The date has not been definitely fixed, but he is expected within a fortnight.

The Premier's departure for Paris has been postponed in consequence, the statement adds, "and President Wilson and the Premier will hold in London the preliminary conversations which were to have been held in the French capital."

telegraphed more than 3000 Austrian crowns to the sufferers, and additional funds are being collected. Dr. Ehrenpreis is a native of London. In his message to Dr. Schiff he suggests the sending of a Scandinavian Jewish committee to the Eastern zone, sonally to distribute any funds collected in the United States.

REPORT LIVES SAVED BY BUREAU OF MINES.

DEPARTMENT CHIEF OUTLINES WORK OF GOVERNMENT CHEMISTS.

BY A. P. NIGHT WIRE. WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—Achievements of the Bureau of Mines during the war in saving lives of miners and promoting the mining industry are described by Dr. Van H. Manning in his annual report, made public tonight.

Contribution of the bureau to the military forces of the nation as enumerated in the report included development of the chemical warfare service, designing of delicate instruments to detect enemy tunneling operations and locate artillery positions, increasing the efficiency of ship boilers, development of a number of new powerful explosives and increase in the production of minerals for war purposes.

The chemical warfare service, which at the end of the last fiscal year included 1700 chemists mobilized at American University here, and which was placed under the jurisdiction of the War Department, has its inception, the report says, in an offer made by the bureau to the government early in February, 1917.

As a result, the report declares, in development of gases and gas masks the United States was months ahead of where it otherwise would have been.

Instruments developed to detect mining and tunneling operations and the location of artillery stations, the bureau believes, will be of great use in the mining industry by determining the location of the men entombed by mine disasters.

Tests conducted by experts of the bureau of boilers resulted in a change in the design of the boilers so that the coal heretofore necessary to drive ships six miles was sufficient to carry them seven miles.

The bureau also tested material for ordnance.

SPANISH PREMIER TO CONFER WITH WILSON.

BY ATLANTIC CABLE AND A. P. MADRID, Dec. 18.—Count Romanones, the Spanish Premier, will leave Madrid Friday for Paris, where he will confer with President Wilson and Premier Lloyd George, Cleveland, and Orlando.

The Spanish Premier expects to present a satisfactory report of Spain's political position.

CAMP KEARNEY TO HAVE OUTDOOR CHRISTMAS.

LARGE TREE WILL BE SET UP ON PARADE GROUNDS. BUSY TIMES YET AHEAD.

BY A. P. NIGHT WIRE. CAMP KEARNEY, Dec. 18.—Plans for a merry outdoor celebration of Christmas at Camp Kearney were announced today. Y.M.C.A. officers have arranged to have a large tree brought to the parade grounds, where an entertainment programme will be given. It is announced that a large number of men in the Sixteenth Division will receive presents. A bonfire is planned as an addition to the programme.

That Camp Kearney will be a busy place for at least six months more was the opinion expressed yesterday by Brig.-Gen. Peter W. Davidson, commanding the Sixteenth Division, in discussing reports that tent camps in the country might be abandoned as soon as demobilization of the army is effected. No order affecting the demobilization of the division has been received here, and Gen. Davidson said he had received no official information of the situation.

Practically no change was shown in today's reports from the base hospital on the influenza situation, only twelve cases having developed yesterday, as against ten the day before. There was only one death attributed to the disease.

# PUTS TAX ON CHILD LABOR.

Senate Amendment Imposes 10 Per Cent. on Profits.

Twelve Democrats Oppose Passage of Measure.

Discussion Precludes Other Action on Revenue.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—Adoption of a committee amendment imposing a 10 per cent. tax on profits from child labor products entering interstate commerce was the only Senate action today on the war revenue bill. The vote on the amendment was 50 to 12.

Democrats cast the negative votes. Debate on this provision and previous hours unexpected discussion of other subjects delayed progress, but leaders still hope for its passage by next Monday with a view to securing an extended recess over the holidays. Tomorrow the Senate plans to take up the amendment for repeal next July 1 of the existing zone system of Jewish committee members.

The child labor amendment, drafted jointly by Senators Pomeroy of Ohio, Lenroot of Wisconsin and Kenyon of Iowa, is designed to replace the child labor law declared unconstitutional by the Supreme Court. Senator Hardwick of Georgia, Senator Overman of North Carolina led the fight on it and these Senators voted against it.

Bankhead of Alabama, Beckham of Kentucky, Hardwick of Georgia, Martin of Kentucky, Overman of North Carolina, Pollock of South Carolina, Simmons of North Carolina, Smith of Georgia, Smith of South Carolina, Thomas of Colorado, Underwood of Alabama, and Williams of Mississippi.

The amendment will go to conference before the Senate passes the revenue bill, it is said to have President Wilson's approval.

The amendment imposes the 10 per cent. tax on profits from products entering interstate commerce from mines and quarries employing children under 16 years of age and from mills and similar industrial establishments employing children under 14 years, or those between 14 and 15 for more than eight hours daily.

An amendment to the postal zone section of the revenue bill was introduced today by Senator McKellar of Tennessee. It provides for a zone system with the committee's provision for a 1 cent postage stamp for the first 150 miles.

In lieu of the rate of 14 cents beyond the first 150 miles, the amendment provides for additional zones with a graduated increase in rates, the maximum being a rate of one pound for second-class mail matter sent 1800 miles or more.

CONFERENCE OPPOSES UNTILLED LAND TAX.

FEDERAL COMMANDERING OF FOODSTUFFS ALSO DEPRECIATED AT STATE MEET.

BY A. P. NIGHT WIRE. SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 18.—Opposition to a proposed law to maintain a tax on untitled lands and to Federal commandeering of foodstuffs, was a prominent feature of the meeting to consider methods of meeting labor shortage conditions next year.

The meeting was held under the direction of Prof. R. L. Adams of the agricultural department of the University of California and was the joint auspices of the Council of Agriculture and the United States Department of Agriculture.

A proposed statute designed to prevent the defrauding of employers and employees in the hiring of labor received the sanction of the delegates. This proposed statute penalizes workers who receive transportation or any other pecuniary benefits from their prospective employers at the time they are employed and then fail to accept the work offered. It also imposes a penalty upon employers who misrepresent wages and working conditions offered by them.

A resolution also was adopted advocating support of a proposed amendment to the Penal Code of California by which certain prisoners convicted of misdemeanors may be sentenced to the parole board, where they shall accept a position at farm labor during probation.

Representatives of the San Francisco Labor Council opposed a resolution which was adopted expressing approval of any plan permitting the absorption of immigrants into the State to meet labor shortage conditions.

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# SAYS DANCE BAN WOULD SAVE BAR.

Hotel Man Urges Elimination of Vice from Cabarets to Prevent Dry Laws.

BY A. P. DAY WIRE. NEW YORK, Dec. 18.—A new means of defeating prohibition by abolishing the "crazy cabaret" and the "dippy dance" was advocated here today by Henry Barker, president of the Northern California Hotel Men's Association, in an address before the American Hotel Association convention delegates, at Madison Square Garden.

The "dippy dance," Mr. Barker explained, is the kind where the participants touch cheeks and rest heads on shoulders. He said he believed the prohibitionists would consent to the sale of beer and light wine if well conducted cabarets in the attendant vice were eliminated.

"Hotel men would agree to reasonable police regulations under the new plan," continued the speaker. "If orders were violated or abused, revocation of the license should follow immediately."

AMERICANS RESPOND TO RED CROSS PLEAS.

MEMBERSHIP CAMPAIGN BRINGS MILLIONS INTO THE ORGANIZATION.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—Enthusiastic response by the American people to the membership campaign being conducted this week by the American Red Cross was indicated tonight in reports reaching headquarters. First definite figures on progress of the campaign in a number of States were received today. Influenza, especially prevalent in the extreme Middle West and the Northwest, had not impeded drive to any extent, according to reports.

The Atlantic division tonight led in the number of memberships obtained with a total of 3,785,412.

On the eve of his departure for Europe, Henry P. Davison, chairman of the Red Cross war council, tonight issued this statement to the American people:

"I am sailing tomorrow for Europe at the request of the President to represent the American Red Cross and as I have I have the confidence that the spirit of mercy and human sympathy which the people of the world have ascribed to the American people will shine forth when the world once more learns of their devotion to Red Cross ideals. Enrollment in the Red Cross by every man, woman and child will mean more to the world today than ever before."

"Millions of pleading, wistful faces are turned toward us today, and only by answering that mute appeal by universal enrollment in the Red Cross can we show our sympathy and our vote for a kinder, gentler world in the days to come."

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## ALLEGED BORGIA PLOT SPREADS.

**Proprietress of Gibbons's Hotel Near Death from Apparent Poisoning, Doctor Says; Biscuits Given Her by Woman Accused of Murder Blamed.**

The alleged poison plot which compassed the death of Frank G. Gibbons of the Miramar, No. 220 South Bonnie Brae street, and brought about the arrest of his wife, Mrs. Gibbons, on a charge of murder, assumed a larger and more sinister aspect yesterday when it was learned that Mrs. Maud Murphy, proprietress of the Miramar, is also near death from strychnine poisoning. Mrs. Murphy was taken to the hospital yesterday afternoon and died from the poison. Mrs. Gibbons admitted that she had given her husband one of a pan of fresh-baked biscuits given her by Mrs. Murphy. The paper bags of flour were taken from the Gibbons kitchen yesterday by the police and turned over to the police for analysis.

CHARLES FIELD, a former associate of Mrs. Gibbons, who worked for the Board of Education in Boston prior to taking up employment with the Pullman Company, knew her for ten years. "When he planned to go to California for his health, I decided I'd go with him," she said. "I always wanted to go to California, and here was a chance. After our independence. His constant nagging was the thing I could not stand."

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HER STORY.

In her cell at the City Jail, Mrs. Gibbons maintains she is not guilty. She is calm and in complete possession of herself and her emotions. She discusses the past with the same grasp on details as she talks about the present situation and every ramification of the case.

"I have been unhappy in my life with Mr. Gibbons," she said. "Constant nagging, continual jealousy all the time."

There never has been much love in the married career of herself and husband, she said, as though discussing an occurrence regrettable but of not much importance. They knew each other for more than ten years, came to California together, married and lived as man and wife for more than four years. Gibbons was not well. Gradually his health failed. She watched over him, helped him as much as she could, and all the time felt, since it became apparent he could not recover, that he ought to be more careful and thoughtful of others, she said.

"We came here from Boston," she continued. "I was born in Gloucester, Mass., and received a good education. Later I worked as a bookkeeper in a Boston department store, and had become accustomed to some of the things of that life."

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Mrs. Gibbons is a woman of large frame and robust constitution. Her face is somewhat lined, but her carriage and walk, her talk and mannerisms speak of a woman still in the prime of life. Deep chested, well formed, she does not look the 45 years she claims.

"My husband was never very strong. I think at times he envied my health and body and said other things. I think he realized he was holding me back," she said.

"I believe in psychology. In spiritual things. From that point of view I do not feel that I have done anything wrong. I am glad his body is liberated, that he's free. We often discussed these things, but he never was positive of anything. I think he probably appreciates that I helped him leave his worn-out body and enter the body of a new-born child. You'll understand, that believing as I do, it's hard for me to think that I am looked upon as a murderer."

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## Alleged Poisoner and Victim.



Mrs. Gertrude Gibbons; Frank Gibbons.

The character sketch was made by a Times staff artist of the alleged husband-poisoner in her cell at the City Jail yesterday. Mrs. Gibbons admits having purchased and given him.

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## RANCHER SLAYS WIFE AND SELF?

**Bodies Found in House on Monrovia Orange Grove.**

**Tragedy Said to Have Come After Many Quarrels.**

**Woman Twice Married; Much Younger Than Spouse.**

The bodies of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Casco, apparently dead for at least two days, were discovered between 5 and 6 o'clock yesterday afternoon in their ranch house at Santa Anita and Duarte roads, Monrovia, where they had a twenty-acre orange ranch. It appears to be a case of murder and suicide.

Sheriff's officers who investigated last night say they noticed that a quantity of kerosene had been spilled on the floor and some on the walls. They believe the murderer contemplated setting fire to the house before he killed himself in the hope of obliterating trace of his double crime.

The body of Mrs. Casco has six bullet wounds in it, and her husband had been shot twice in the head. When the bodies were found his hand grasped a Colt's 38-caliber revolver. The bodies were removed to the undertaking establishment of Renaker & Co. in Monrovia, and the coroner was notified. An inquest will be held today.

Mr. and Mrs. Casco lived alone on the orange ranch, and are said to have been in comfortable circumstances. Mrs. Casco was formerly Mrs. Sullivan. Her husband died about six years ago, and about two years ago she married Mr. Casco. He was about 45 years of age and his wife was about 25. It is said their married life was not happy, and that some time ago the man left after which his wife took steps toward securing a divorce. A few months ago, it is said, he returned, and since then they had lived together, but had frequent disagreements.

TO NAME OSBORNE.

Long-time Employee of City is to be Utilities Board's Chief Engineer, is Indication.

H. Z. Osborne, Jr., son of Congressman Osborne, will probably be appointed today chief engineer of the Board of Public Utilities, filling the vacancy created by the resignation of Franklin D. Howell.

Mr. Osborne has been in the service of the city for twenty-two years, having held every position up to chief assistant in the City Engineer's office. It is known that the members of the board look with favor upon Mr. Osborne, and that he has the hearty endorsement of Mayor Woodman.

C. H. McGwire, assistant chief engineer, for the Board of Public Utilities and Fulton Lane, have been mentioned as possible appointees, but it was stated last night that the slate has been written for Mr. Osborne.

WORDS DISARM 'EM.

Long Beach Men Drop Chip from Shoulder as they Listen to Logic of Supervisors.

The Long Beach delegation which wanted the Supervisors to construct an east channel instead of a west channel for flood control work in that city, went to the Hall of Records yesterday with a chip on its shoulder. The chip was gently brushed aside as the logical reasoning of the Supervisors.

It was pointed out that the west channel could not be changed without a new bond issue and a levy to raise the money. The people voted for the west channel, the money was appropriated for that channel, and the plans could not be altered at this late date without serious financial loss and delay. The board passed a resolution that the rights-of-way for the west channel be acquired as rapidly as possible. The delegation went away in a good humor.

CITY HAS MONOPOLY.

Southern California Edison Agrees to Remove all Poles and Wires in Harbor District.

Announcement was made yesterday that the city has completed the last link of its power and light system in the harbor district and that it now will have a monopoly on all power and light business there. The city has been serving the inner and outer harbor for some time, and now will take care of the harbor district.

FOR PASSING BOGUS CHECKS.

W. A. Raully, for the second time, will be arraigned today on a charge of passing fictitious checks. He will come before Justice of the Peace Brown. Raully was in the County Jail, having been held to answer before on a similar charge. A warrant was served on him yesterday for the second charge by Deputy Constable Adams. W. L. Lynch is the complaining witness in the new case.

ON STATUTORY CHANGE.

James T. Terrell, owner of a rooming-house near Main and Commercial streets, was held to answer on a statutory charge yesterday by Justice of the Peace Forbes.

## SHOP EARLY. URGES CUPID.

**Marriage License Clerk Warns Against Rush at Christmas.**

Cupid Sparks gave out a "shop early" warning yesterday to persons anticipating setting marriage licenses before Christmas. Mr. Sparks called attention to the fact that a marriage license is good a long time after issuance. He says that the tendency is for couples to "rush" his office the day before Christmas. Last year on that date he issued 194 licenses.

"If they get the license now they can use it any time," said Mr. Sparks, "and if they wait, they will probably crowd the office beyond the limit set by the health authorities."

NO WILL FOUND.

Founder of Piggish Home Files Petition for Letters of Administration on Wife's Estate.

Mrs. Mary Elizabeth Yeakum, wife of Dr. Finis E. Yeakum, founder of the Piggish Home in the Highland Park district, who died in March, 1917, left an estate of \$20,000, and no will, according to a petition for letters of administration that was filed yesterday by Dr. Yeakum. Most of the estate is real estate in the neighborhood of the Piggish Home.

The petition recites that the heirs are Dr. Yeakum, the husband; Merrill G. Yeakum of Beaumont, Tex.; Charles Yeakum, F. E. Yeakum, Jr., and Ruby H. Whitney and Ruth H. Wynne, daughters.

KILLED IN ACTION.

Official Notice is Received of Death of Angelino Who was Hero of German Prison Escape.

Hero of an escape from a German prison camp, Private Jacob J. Bos, Company A, One Hundred Fourth Infantry, was killed in action, October 27, 1918, a notice received yesterday by the parents, Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Bos, No. 2422 Cincinnati street, from Adj. Gen. Harris.

Over the top three times in one day, Private Bos was captured the third time over, and taken to a German prison camp. For his gallantry he was awarded the Iron Cross.

Besides his parents, Private Bos leaves a brother, Harry Bos, and a sister, Rose Bos. He went to Camp Lewis in August, then transferred to Camp Kearny, from where he was sent overseas. Before going into the army, the dead Angelino was employed by the Pioneer Paper Company, and previous to that by The Times.

STARRED YOUTH IMPROVING.

Esquillo Treas, who was stabbed with a bayonet by Private M. W. Young, a militia-policeman at Exposition Park, was reported yesterday as being improving. The youth has fought valiantly to recover, say physicians at the County Hospital.

## NO DAMAGE BY FIRE.

SACRAMENTO, Dec. 18.—(By A. P. Day Wire.)—Received here today information that virtually no damage to crops in the Sacramento Valley from the frost last night.

Orchardists at Oroville, Colusa, and Hamilton counties, declared there was no damage to their crops. The frost was not so severe as feared, and the crops were saved.

R. R. Rose, orchardist of Oakes, one of the principal citrus growers of Sacramento county, said the damage to his crops was "little, if any."

N. H. Taylor, meteorologist at Sacramento Weather Bureau, said: "The frost was not so severe as feared, and the crops were saved."

Temperatures as low as 20 degrees probably were recorded in some of the Sacramento Valley last night, but the duration of the cold was short, and the crops were saved.

CONGRESS TO RECESS TILL AFTER HOLIDAY.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—(By A. P. Day Wire.)—The House today postponed a holiday recess. He said at a row's session that the House will recess until Monday.

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## PASS 'ROUND PRESENTS.

Council in Yuletide Mood, Hands Wage Increase to Police and Mayor's Secretary.

Assuming the role of Santa Claus, the Council yesterday distributed some wage increases to employees of the police department.

The salary of Capt. George Home of the detective bureau was increased to \$250 per month. He formerly received that amount, but in changing the standardization ordinance his salary was cut to \$205.

Police captains were given an increase of \$25 per month, their present salaries being \$200.

Motorcycle policemen were given substantial increases. Their year men will receive \$150 per month.

An attempt was made by Mr. Olsen to have the salary of Secretary Glen MacWilliams of the Mayor's office increased to \$250 a month, but the Council fixed it at \$225. At present he receives but \$200.

DIES IN ARIZONA.

News of the death of her brother, Frank Ragland, 30 years of age, in Douglas, Ariz., of influenza, was received here yesterday by Mrs. J. W. Brown. Mr. Ragland was a Polytechnic High School graduate, and for six years was high tenor with the Elks Club. He was a member of Elks Lodge, No. 1289, of Glendale, and of Eastern Lodge, No. 290, of Los Angeles. He was a member of the New York theatrical firm. The deceased had recently been employed at the Copper Queen smelter.

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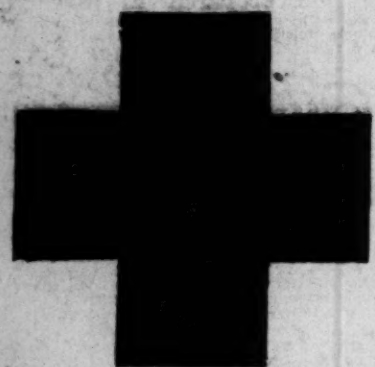


# The Work of the Red Cross Must Go On!

## Remember the

- (1) San Francisco Earthquake
- (2) Halifax Explosion
- (3) Titanic Disaster
- (4) Dayton Flood
- (5) Perth Amboy Explosion
- (6) Galveston Flood
- (7) Eastland Wreck
- (8) Messina Earthquake
- (9) Lusitania Outrage and the recent terrible
- (10) Influenza Epidemic

and you will remember



The Red Cross  
**JOIN!**

*Los Angeles Has Never Failed the Red Cross, and the Red Cross Has Never Failed Los Angeles*

Do you know today our reports on the Red Cross Christmas Roll Call show **ONLY 9,000** Subscribers?

Are you one of the 9,000? If not, why not?

We are committed to Washington for 300,000 subscribers.

All that is needed in this campaign is a big heart and a little dollar. You have proven you have a big heart, now will you give **THE** dollar.

## What the Los Angeles Red Cross Has Done

In the First Red Cross War Fund 35,000 subscribers gave \$1,000,000.

In the Second Red Cross War Fund 253,000 patriots subscribed \$1,547,000.

Over 75,000 people are daily identified with the work at Headquarters and in the Branches and Auxiliaries. Of all this number, less than fifty are paid a salary. Over 100,000 square feet of floor space is occupied by the various activities of the Los Angeles Chapter.

Over 3,000,000 surgical dressings have been shipped by this Chapter to Europe.

The Bureau of Civilian Relief has taken care of over 6000 dependents of our boys in service.

During the influenza epidemic the Los Angeles Chapter has equipped the hospital at Ascot Park, aided in the canteens at El Monte and sent food wagons to thousands of unfortunate homes.

What a monument to the Red Cross it would be to present to the city of Los Angeles a Red Cross hospital of 500 beds! Will you help us do it?

Your membership and your dollar is needed now. You are not 100% American unless you are enrolled in the Red Cross Christmas Roll Call.

Remember that if you answer this Red Cross Christmas Roll Call there will be no more drives for funds.

Your Red Cross button is waiting for you. Put the Red Cross Window Emblem in your home tonight.

**WHAT IS THE ANSWER OF LOS ANGELES?**

# Red Cross Christmas Roll Call, Dec. 16 to 23

TO ASK ARREST  
SAYS POMEROY

Science Practitioners  
Report Flu Cases

Health Commissioner  
Close Sunday Schools

Steady Decrease in Number  
New Cases is Reported

Declaring that California  
practitioners are not reporting  
cases, as the law requires,  
Dr. J. L. Pomero, county health  
officer, stated yesterday that he  
had an arrest and that the  
case was being handled by the  
court.

Dr. Pomero stated that  
practitioners' requests for  
quarantine orders were being  
issued by him, as the law  
requires, and that the  
practitioners were not  
reporting cases.

Formal request for the  
all Sunday-schools and  
entire influenza emergency  
yesterday by Dr. J. L. Pomero,  
city health commissioner, in  
reference with the board of  
education.

Commenting on the  
quarantine plan is getting  
under way, Dr. Pomero said  
that the plan was being  
carried out and that the  
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under way.

Since December 8, when  
the quarantine regulations  
were first enforced, a total  
of 244 cases have been  
reported. Of these, 114  
have been released from  
quarantine.

Plans for continuing the  
of education in the  
few days, posters of  
will be displayed, and  
volunteer speakers will  
make addresses at public  
of all kinds.

ALIENS GOING  
Many Would See  
Friends After Release  
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Many aliens in the  
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Life's Gen  
SOCIETY.

BY VIRGINIA WOODS.

the marriage of Miss Gertrude  
and Lieut. Gerald  
has been set for next Mon-  
afternoon at St. John's Epis-  
church.

Kerckhoff, one of the most  
girls in Los Angeles  
is the daughter of Mr. and  
William G. Kerckhoff of No.  
Adams street.

the son of Mr. and Mrs. W.  
Adams street. He has  
of the aviation branch of the  
army for the past year,  
his ground training at  
North Island. Miss Kerckhoff  
and receiving his commis-  
sion. Announcement of  
the young couple  
exclusively in The Times.

Dr. Kerckhoff was hos-  
table dancing party  
Friday evening at the coun-  
ter of her parents. Mr. and  
Mrs. Kerckhoff of Covina.

Mrs. Louis C. Torrance  
giving a family dinner party  
Saturday and will have at  
table, Mrs. Theodore Welch,  
Mrs. Dorothy  
Henderson, Mrs. Brian K.  
of Los Angeles. The  
taken up with the  
Powers, who suggested the  
eration ask all the children  
city to close their Sunday  
The attendance of children  
meeting at which the  
discussed was small and  
taking action themselves  
later asked that a formal  
be issued by the health  
officer.

COMMENT QUARANTINE  
Yesterday's reports of  
and deaths showed a  
comparing with 107 cases  
Tuesday. Of yesterday's  
389 were influenza,  
and fourteen were  
flu-pneumonia. This  
twelve deaths reported  
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Science Practitioners Report Flu Cases Health Commissioner Warns Close Sunday Schools Steady Decrease in Number New Cases is Shown

Declaring that Christian Science practitioners are not reporting flu cases, as the law directs, J. L. Pomerooy, county health officer, stated yesterday that he would ask for an arrest and take the case to court.

Dr. Pomerooy stated further that the law requires practitioners to report flu cases, and that he would ask for an arrest and take the case to court.

COMMENT QUARANTINE Yesterday's reports of new deaths showed a decided improvement, with a total of 181 compared with 507 cases reported yesterday.

RELEASED MARY. Since December 9, when the influenza regulations have been posted, 23,346 have been released from quarantine.

ALIENS GOING HOME Many would see families and friends after having been in some not allowed to return.

STARTING TODAY THE SURRENDER OF THE GERMAN FLEET

THE BEST OF VAUDEVILLE

THE NEW SOCIETY, Music, Song and the Dance - At the Play-houses.

FLASHES. AMERICAN :: BEAUTY :: ROSES. MUSICAL.

SHEEHAN SEES PINK. FOX BUSINESS MANAGER SAYS YEAR 1919 PROSPEROUS.

Mr. and Mrs. Bancroft. Mr. and Mrs. Bancroft are leaving next week for New York, where they will pass the winter before sailing for Europe.

Mr. and Mrs. L. McAulay. Mr. and Mrs. L. McAulay, left yesterday for Texas, where they will stay a month visiting relatives in Sherman and McKinney.

Mr. and Mrs. Forest Q. Stanton. Mr. and Mrs. Forest Q. Stanton and their family are here for the winter with apartment at the Wilshire Hotel on Coronado street.

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Enrico Caruso, In 'My Cousin,' his first motion picture, at Grauman's.

Unusual Blooming. We have used the poinsettia salad formed from tomatoes sliced to represent the petals of the Christmas flower, and laid against the green of lettuce leaves, and the center is formed from minced pork of egg and parsley.

At Peace with Fashion. Scrolls are good patterns in the new velvets. Few coats in these days are made of one fur.

Bill Hart's Quiet Christmas. Bill Hart is to have a quiet Christmas. The reason is that his sister, Mary Hart, is seriously ill, and Mr. Hart will spend the day at her bedside.

Ad Club Supports Quinn. The movement which J. A. Quinn has started for better picture making is a success if the Advertising Club has anything to say about it.

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SHEEHAN SEES PINK. FOX BUSINESS MANAGER SAYS YEAR 1919 PROSPEROUS.

By Grace Kingsley. A big year for motion pictures is what Winfield R. Sheehan, general manager of the Fox Film Corporation, who has just arrived in Los Angeles from New York, sees through his pink prophetic glass for the year 1919.

Prize Lazy Man. Peggy Hyland, Fox star, has a negro mammy working for her who is never-ceasing source of amusement to the young woman.

Dusty Has Vacation. Dustin Farnum has been too busy to work during the past fortnight. "Annie" of course, he might have worked if his scenario writer had not got stuck in the middle of a scenario, but as it was he had gone down hunting down in Arizona and reports great luck.

Change at Alhambra. The film, "The Light of Western Stars," featuring Dustin Farnum, which was to have been shown at the Alhambra next week, will not be there in time to be shown until the week following.

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Mary McLaren, In 'Vanity Pool' at the Symphony. She's as lovely as a rose herself.

Within the past several years has served as general manager of the Paramount organization, and most recently as vice-president of the Famous Players-Lasky Corporation.

Speculation is rife among the patrons of Pantages Theater this week as to the identity of the beautiful actress who will play the part of Venus in the sensational picture entitled "The Lure of Venus."

CHARLIE CHAPLIN SEEN IN "SHOULDER ARMS." Charlie Chaplin, in his second million-dollar comedy at Tally's Broadway this week, depicts the spirit of our boys at the front.

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FACULTY RECITAL. EGAN SCHOOL PRESENTS TEACHERS IN CONCERT.

By Jeanne Hedman. The idea, somewhat original here, of putting the members of a faculty on their mettle by presenting them to pupils and public alike as virtuosos, was successfully realized last evening at the Little Theater, when Frank Egan and his teachers, all well-known and popular in Los Angeles, performed for the benefit of their pupils and friends of the school.

The Egan faculty has not an unfamiliar name in its lists. They were Homer Grunn, pianist, who presented three of his "Sea Pictures" still in manuscript, and who played, as always, with exceeding good taste and an ear to the poetic. He played also two movements of the Vieuxtemps Concerto in D minor, for violin and piano, Oscar Selling supplying the violin. Selling was in fine form, and while I acknowledge his prejudice against the compositions of Vieuxtemps, still the work was admirably done.

Bertha Winslow, organ and piano, shared honors in singing. They opened the programme with the Balcony Scene from "Romeo and Juliet," and after, each sang a group of songs separately, accompanied by Winifred Honke, whose charming touch and intelligent understanding enlivened the wailing and wailing of the land Paul and we well known here to need introduction, but for comers, it must be said, their choice of songs and the manner in which they were sung brought enthusiastic demands for encore.

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Woman's Lyric Club. Tomorrow evening the Woman's Lyric Club will give a programme of numbers from Ross Macdougall, Debussy, Bartok, and others. The Zolner Quartet will be assisted by Mrs. Paula Dohrmann and Mrs. A. R. Jacquith.

GUILTY ON CHECK CHARGE. A verdict of guilty was returned yesterday against Henry St. Clair, alias John Wilson, charged with using a check without sufficient funds to pay for a check of \$1000, which was cashed at the court of Superior Judge William H. Williams. Evidence showed that St. Clair gave a check for \$1000 to the bank, but the check was not cashed.

HELD ON MURDER CHARGE. Rafael Montenegro was arraigned yesterday before Justice of the Peace Forbes charged with the murder of Charles McDaniel on December 14. Montenegro was held without bail for a preliminary hearing on December 25.

CLUNE'S AUDITORIUM—5th and Olive Streets. Now Showing Twice Daily—2:15 and 8:15. D. W. GRIFFITH PERSONALLY PRESENTS HIS NEWEST PHOTO-DRAMA "The Greatest Thing in Life"

CLUNE'S BROADWAY THEATER—THIS WEEK. BILLIE BURKE in "The Make Believe Wife" LARRY SEMON in "FRAUDS & FRENZY"

MOROSCO—OLIVER MOROSCO PRESENTS. NOTHING BUT THE TRUTH. With A. Brooking, Cast of Morosco's Famous "Black-Black-Black"

HIPPIDROME—Now DOROTHY GREEN. "The Grouch" and Vaudeville. SOME SHOW! LET'S GO!

KINEMA—TOM MIX. 6 Added Attractions. Tom Mix Quartette. Cartoon. Pathe News. "FAME AND FORTUNE"

TALLY'S Broadway Continuous, 10:30 a.m. to 11 p.m. Charlie Chaplin "SHOULDER ARMS"

PANTAGES VAUDEVILLE. "ME UND GOTT" Powerful Love Drama. ALHAMBRA 731 South Hill Street. QUINN'S RIALTO. MAE MARSH in "Hidden Fires" A New O. Henry Comedy and a New-View.

THEATER DE LUXE—ALVARADO BLDG. 5TH & 7TH STS. BILLY BURKE in "PURSUIT OF POLLY" CONTINUOUS SHOW, 1:30 TO 10:30















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This respect governs our work. Your own mother could not be more careful, more thoughtful or have more consideration for your enjoyment when she prepares the favorite dish for the family.

**T**HE Wilson organization is one of those—men able to make the Wilson policy genuine. We use our machinery to manufacture; we use thought in our management and our distribution. No man who is not capable of taking the customer's viewpoint is big enough or broad enough to share in the management of this company.

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### LONDON SHOPS EXCEED ALL CHRISTMAS SALES.

VICTORY YULETIDE TO BE ON MORE EXTENSIVE SCALE THAN EVER BEFORE.

BY ATLANTIC CABLE AND A. P. LONDON, Dec. 18.—(British Wireless Service).—Christmas shopping in London is exceeding all previous records. In some of the great commercial establishments admission to stores of would-be purchasers has been regulated, owing to the large crowds.

This "victory" Christmas will be a notable one because of the fact that the general holidays are to be on a more extensive scale than ever before. A large number of war time restrictions have been removed and many of the food orders modified. All soldiers in England are to have twelve days' leave of absence.

Interesting details have been compiled regarding the Christmas goods displayed before the war and this year. In 1913 German and Austrian goods represented 58 per cent. of the total. This year, French goods 15 per cent.; British 20 per cent.; and goods of doubtful origin 15. This year, British goods aggregate 70 per cent.; French 20 per cent.; American 5 per cent.; and of doubtful origin 5 per cent. The doubtful goods this year include relics of old stocks of German and Austrian manufacture.

MEXICO TO DEVELOP TRADE WITH STATES.

COMMERCIAL AGENTS ESTABLISHED AT SAN FRANCISCO AND OTHER CITIES.

BY A. P. DAY WIRE. SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 18.—Zone headquarters for the development of closer trade relations between the United States and Mexico have been established here, under the direction of Lazaro Baach, head of the Mexican Products Exhibition here, and personal representative of Alberto Paul, Secretary of Commerce and Industry in Mexico. Senior Baach announced here today that Paul was appointed recently as Mexican Minister to France, and is expected to leave for Paris in February.

The local headquarters are concerned chiefly with shipments of goods from Mexico and hard woods from Mexico, and the working up of much widespread shipment of goods from this district to Mexico. Senior Baach announced.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 18.—The Department of Commerce and Industry of Mexico has chosen San Francisco, New Orleans, Washington and St. Louis as some headquarters for the development of closer trade relations between the United States and Mexico. S. L. Alarico, in charge of the St. Louis zone, announced today.

LAREDO (Tex.) Dec. 18.—Alberto J. Paul, newly-appointed Mexican Minister to France, with several emissaries, passed through here today en route to Washington.

### PRIZES OF \$12,000 TO BE GIVEN AWAY.

TO RELIGIOUS, CHARITABLE, BENEVOLENT AND OTHER ORGANIZATIONS.

Twelve thousand dollars in prizes! This vast sum of money in prizes will be given to the religious, charitable, benevolent, fraternal, Red Cross and other public organizations in Los Angeles county by the National Promotion Company, through its great advertising, selling and popularizing campaign, all absolutely free, as will be set forth in detail in a big 542-inch display advertisement in the Los Angeles Times in its issue of December 21.

Those organizations in this county which are desirous of quickly and materially enriching their exchequers can very easily add a substantial sum to their bank accounts via this campaign method, and in the above-mentioned announcement will be invited to do so. It will not cost anyone a single penny to enter, compete or win one of the many valuable prizes.

Two thousand dollars in cash! This is the first grand prize—and to the most energetic and deserving organization that wants that much money it will be awarded, and the obtaining of this prize will be easy and simple.

The second prize is worth over \$1,000, and the several other prizes in their rotation, totaling fifty altogether (with the smallest, the sixth, being a fifty-dollar bill), will be given to the deserving, and in rotation, according to their efforts, all absolutely free, with no one having to do anything or buy anything, or spend one cent that they would not do anyway, and from day to day, as they would do anyhow—only the doing and buying of daily wants and necessities will be done via the campaign method. All simple, easy, pleasant, interesting—and, at the same time, profitable and instructive.

"Opportunity comes once to every man," it is said, and it is to be impressed upon the thrifty of the Los Angeles county organizations that here is opportunity with the full, definite and complete meaning of that word exemplified. This \$12,000 will be given to those who want it and want it enough to "come along with it." Will your organization grasp this opportunity?

To the live organizations we repeat, the full and complete story of this big and generous prize offering will be printed in the Los Angeles Times, in a two-page spread in the issue of Tuesday, December 21, and to them this plan is commended as a profitable and sure way to secure a large sum of money. In the meantime, however, to those who desire to have their organization participate in this prize fest, an invitation is extended to get in touch with the managers of the National Promotion Company who will be happy to explain the entire plan. Those so interested in finance may communicate by addressing the National Promotion Company, P. O. box 516, and printed matter showing "What to do and how to do it," with and for local and national manufacturers and retailers, will be furnished.

Will you grasp this opportunity?

### MUST BE SAFE FROM THE HUN.

France for Rigid Terms, Says Emissary Here.

Germany to Keep Soldiers to East of Rhine.

Hopes Many Yanks may Become French Citizens.



Lieut. Robert Renard.

That France will insist on terms as rigid as those prescribed in the armistice, at the signing of final articles of peace; that she, as a buffer state for German aims, must be fully protected at the Rhine, and that never again must an opportunity be given the Huns for comparatively easy access to Paris were statements made last evening by Lieut. Robert Renard, Pacific Coast emissary of the French High Commission, who is in this city on a speaking campaign in behalf of the American Committee for Devastated France.

"France and the French demand that there be no German soldiers on the left bank of the Rhine," he declared. "The population may necessarily be German, but they will not be allowed to assemble armaments and supplies as the Kaiser has done yearly for half a century, rattling his sword and making fiery speeches from the Franco-German frontier. The left bank must be a kind of neutralized territory and not a network of German fortresses."

Lieut. Renard, who wears the Croix de Guerre, was commander of a machine-gun platoon of the Three Hundred and Forty-first French Infantry. An agree of the University of Paris and formerly professor of English literature at the University of Marseille, he was among the twelve of his professional colleagues who joined the tricolor at the declaration of war. Today he is thought to be the only survivor. He narrowly escaped death during the battle of the Heights of the Meuse, at Verdun, as two days before his platoon of 250 men was almost annihilated in a night attack. He was sent to a hospital suffering from fever. For five months he has been in this country as an instructor at Camp Wheeler, and on the signing of the armistice was designated by the French High Commission as their speaker for the Western States.

Regarding the stay of the American forces in France, he says that the French are desirous that many of the men become permanent citizens of the country. "We are not going to endeavor to coerce them into remaining with us, but we shall be very, very glad if any care to do so. And while they are waiting in France for their ships to bring them back to America, we shall throw open our universities and schools and give them the best we have. We shall learn from them and they from us."

"But the hardest of all the reconstruction work will be to protect the world from such attempts as Germany has made and to reconstruct nationalities. Let us not think that this is the last war we shall ever have. That is Utopian, childish."

Of all the French, the greatest sufferers from the war are the fatherless children, he said. One and one-half million men were killed in action; 1,000,000 hopelessly maimed.

"We have asked the United States to help us not only with her money, but with her friendship and companionship," he said. "We ask help for these fatherless children not as a gift, but as a loan, for France has financial resources that have only to be developed. And it is right that you, who have suffered the least from the war, should pool your resources with us, who have suffered the most. These children are to be the manhood of tomorrow's France, and it is they who will eventually rebuild her. We don't understand America's aid as a charity, but as strengthening of the bond of amity."

"France has a terrible reconstruction problem to solve. It will take ten years to get the coal mines to their pre-war state, and to rebuild the shattered dwellings will be two years' work for 1,000,000 men. We look to America, our big brother, for the material aid to meet the crisis."

### SAYS LOWEST LIVING WAGE 72½ CENTS.

CHICAGO, Dec. 18.—That 72½ cents an hour is the lowest living standard wage for an American family, is the opinion of Frank P. Walsh, former chairman of employees' division of the Federal Labor Board, according to a letter from him read today at the hearing before Federal Judge Samuel A. Walsh, arbitrator in the wage controversy between the meat packers and their employees.

Joseph Selbert, business agent for the Butchers' and Meat Cutters' Union at Sioux City, Iowa, testified that the union's members are paid wages in the packing plants in that city. He said in some instances the men lived "like rats" and that the common laborers earned on an average \$16 a week.

## A dip into Psychology



Query: Does a newspaper's character influence its advertising value, and is this influence important or merely interesting.

The personal-contact side of business is illuminating.

Two men are sent out to demonstrate a new article. Everybody knows that one of them is honest; everybody knows that one of them is dishonest. Which will be listened to?

No one disputes that in personal salesmanship reputation is important.

But business long ago outgrew this stage. Then came the science of advertising. Does the modern advertiser take into account a medium's character?

A high-class jewelry concern, in exchange for a small sum, is offered the advertising privilege on a cow barn.

The proprietor not only refuses but becomes indignant at the suggestion. To link his business with such a medium would damage him tremendously. And, the more conspicuous the cow barn—the greater its "circulation"—the more serious would be his injury.

The character of a medium may be so bad as to make it a detrimental force in business.

Hence, in order to secure the psychological benefit of "character," the business world has largely discarded other forms of advertising and adopted newspapers as the pre-eminent medium. But—and naturally—the same discrimination which led to the selection of newspapers as the kind of medium, now leads to the pick and choice between newspaper and newspaper. There is such a thing as cow barn circulation in the newspaper world.

Why is it that these newspapers in the United States whose loyalty to America has been questioned, whose word, policies and motives no man will trust—why is it that these newspapers are losing advertising? Because the business world realizes that the discredit of a medium attaches to those who use it.

What then is it that constitutes the pure gold in the advertising world? It is those great newspapers of America which combine both circulation and character. In nearly every large city there is such a newspaper, and always it is a predominating newspaper.

Such a newspaper conveys to its advertisers an element of value even beyond its circulation and character. It is regarded by the public as the official mouthpiece of the business community, and as such it is read in a special attitude of mind. In such a newspaper the advertiser is not limited to the amount of attention his announcement will catch; he is assisted by the voluntary effort of readers, who study the advertising pages because the complete and inviting news about merchandise is one of the attractions of such a newspaper and one of the reasons why that particular reader is reading it.

At the tip-top pinnacle of America's mighty advertising medium, stands California's great newspaper, THE LOS ANGELES TIMES. Repeatedly and repeatedly it has been proven that a campaign in THE TIMES alone will cover the city of Los Angeles and the area of Southern California more completely and with far greater results than even a larger sum of money divided between THE TIMES and other newspapers.



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and Twenty-second Field Signal Battalion. Signer, who is one of the few surviving members has received special decorations for his service. He was discharged yesterday by W. E. Ludlow, 1315 East Adams street, from his position as sergeant in the communications section of the battalion, in charge of trucks and motorcycles. In the letter of commendation the First Army Corps calls attention to the fact that the Three Hundred and Eighty-ninth Signal Battalion participated in the battle of Chateau Thierry, in the reduction of the St. Mihiel salient and in the capture of Meuse Forest.

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